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SUBJ: CABINET TO DISCUSS ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS

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1. WE LEARN FROM PRESS THAT CABINET AT MEETING UNDER PRIMIN SALEM APRIL 11 DISCUSSED NEW ADMINISTRATIVE METHOD OF SETTING TARGETS, I.E., MANAGEMENT BY OBJECTIVE (REFTEL. DISCUSSION REPORTEDLY WAS FOLLOWED BY SESSION OF MINISTERS IN ECONOMIC FIELD, SESSION BILLED AS FIRST OF SERIES, ON FORMULATION OF FINANCIAL, ECONOMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORM PROGRAM TO BE COMPLETED BY END OF JUNE. CAIRO DAILY AHAM NOTES REFORMS ARE SIGNIFICANT IN PROCESS OF ANNUAL EVALUATION OF ECONOMY BY IBRD AND NEGOTIATIONS ON ARAB SUPPORT FUND AND WESTERN AID. (NOTE: IMF MISSION REPORTEDLY IS DUE IN CAIRO THIS WEEK.)

2. COMMENT. WE ARE INTRIGUED BY PRIMIN'S APPARENT DETERMINATION TO FOLLOW THROUGH ON MANAGEMENT REFORM AT CABINET LEVEL. CONCEPTUALIZATION OF EFFORT ALMOST CERTAINLY COMES FROM RECENTLY- APPOINTED MINSTATE FOR CABINET AFFAIRS AND ADMIN DEVELOPMENT DR. FOUAD SHARIF, A TRAINED AND EXPERIENCED SPECIALIST IN FIELD.

WE HAVE HEARD THAT SEVERAL MINISTERS WILL BE LEAVING TOWN FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SEMINARS IN SETTING OUTSIDE CAPITAL, A LA

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HARPERS FERRY. EDUCATIONS CAMPAIGN MAY BE AIMED TOO HIGH

TO HAVE MAXIMUM EFFECT ON DAY-TO-DAY GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS,
BUT AT LEAST GOE SEEMS TO BE GIVING IT OLD COLLEGE TRY TO
IMPROVE PERFORMANCE AND RATIONALIZE PROCEDURES.
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